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Senator Seliger Visits Stratford

State Senator Kel Seliger holds Town Hall Meeting Wednesday October 18th at The Imagination Station. Senator Seliger, Hereford Dignitaries and Sherman County Development were on hand for questions and answers about Stratford and Sherman County's future. Shown above Connie Oquin, City Council; City Judge Cindy Jackson; Senator Seliger and District Director Christy Bertolino.

One doesn't discover new lands
without consenting to lose sight
of the shore for a very long time.
—Andre Gide

Notice to all the Voters in Precinct 102

If you have voted at the Library in the past we have moved that polling place to Scot Hall for this election and all future elections. County & District Clerk Sherman County, Texas

Pantry Meeting October 26th

The Pantry will be meeting on Thursday, October 26th at 7:00 p.m. at XIT Building.

Coldwater Manor Halloween Carnival

Coldwater Manor Nursing Home Halloween Carnival will be Saturday Oct. 28, 2006 at Coldwater Manor Nursing Home at 1111 Beaver Road in Stratford. Time will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Games will include Bingo, Bean Bag Toss, Cake Walk, Duck Pond, Pumpkin Ring Toss and Pull the String. Costume Contest is at 7:30 p.m. Candy Jar Give-a-Way: (1 Free ticket) Come and Join the fun.

Sherman County Animal Issues Committee to Meet CORRECTION

Sherman County Animal Issues Committee will meet Thursday, November 9, 2006, 7 p.m. at Stratford Fire Station. Committee members will finalize plans and maps for Sherman County at this meeting.

Brown Bag Book Sale

The Sherman County Public Library is hosting their annual brown bag book sale on Friday, October 27th from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturday, October 28th from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Come fill a bag full of books for \$3.00 each. Early shoppers may "sneak a peak" on Thursday evening, October 26th from 6:30-8 p.m. for donation of \$1.00. For more information, contact Sandy at 366-2200.

4-H Parent/Leaders Meeting October 30

By Susie Spurlock
The quarterly business meeting of the Sherman County 4-H Parent/Leaders Association will be Monday, October 30 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sherman County Extension Office.

The organization is the booster club for the county 4-H program and all parents of 4-H members and volunteer leaders are invited to attend. Business items will include plans for the updates on fall and winter projects, opportunities for leaders to assist with state and national activities, and final budget report for 2005-06.

For more information, contact Susie Spurlock, Sherman County Extension Agents at 366-2122.

Have a Safe Halloween

Coldwater Manor Needs Cakes!!!

Coldwater Manor Halloween Carnival-Donation's Please. Saturday, October 28th, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. We will be having another Cake Walk. If you could donate a cake, it sure would be appreciated. Thank, Activity Director's Janice Vaughn and JoAnn Cobos.

Super Science Saturday

Super Science Saturday will be held at the Imagination Station on Saturday October 28th from 10am till noon. We will be studying the characteristics between meal worms and snails. We will also craft a snail. Registration fee is only \$1.00. Call Laurie Spurlock at 366-2772 for more information.

Spooky Space

The Imagination Station is hosting its annual Haunted House. This year's theme is SPOOKY SPACE. Come join the fun of being a little scared on Thursday October 26th. We will be open from 6:00pm-8:00pm. Admission is \$1.00. Adults free with kids.

New Public Office Hours

EFFECTIVE November 1, 2006 **THE PUBLIC OFFICE HOURS** for the County & District Clerks office will be 9:00 to 12 and 1 to 5 Monday thru Friday. The office staff will still work from 8:00 to 12 & 1 to 5 but will only be open to the public after 9 am.

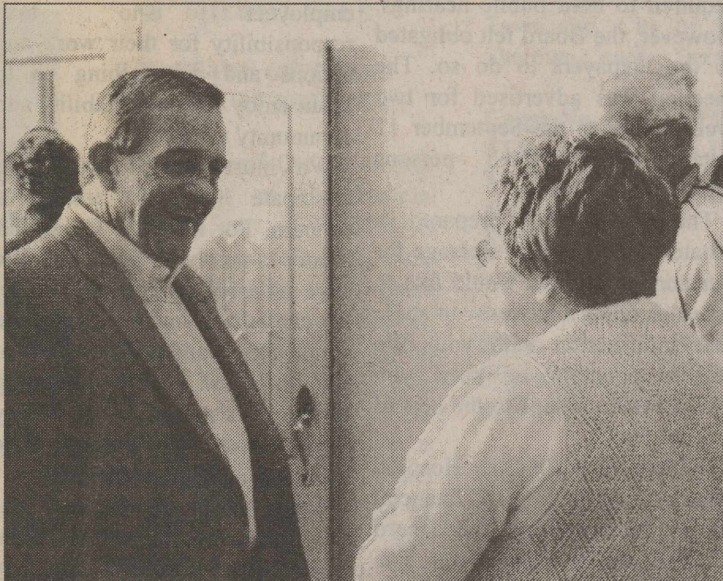
Annual Christmas Parade Nov. 29th

Stratford Chamber of Commerce invites you to join us November 29th for our annual Christmas Parade. Come Join us and help us welcome the holidays. Our local merchants will stay open a little later to kick off the countdown to Christmas. The Chamber of Commerce welcomes everyone to the office afterwards for some hot chocolate or apple cider. Rumor has it our jolly friend from the NORTH-POLE will be hanging around to take early Christmas wishes! The parade will start around 6:00 P.M. or as soon as it is dark. If you would like to put a float in the parade, please contact the Chamber of Commerce ASAP!

Scholastic Book Fair Coming Soon

The Sherman County Public Library will host a Scholastic Book Fair on the following dates: Friday, Nov. 3rd - 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 4th - 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.; Monday, Nov. 6th - 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.; Tuesday, Nov. 7th - 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.; and Wednesday, Nov. 8th 10:00 a.m.- 7:00 p.m. Come join the fun and get a jump start on your holiday shopping by purchasing books for that special child or adult on your Christmas list. For additional information contact Sandy at 366-2200.

Good Luck Elks Beat Canadian



Cumpton Speaks At Meeting

Joyce and Les Dodson are shown above visiting with Economic Development Director from Hereford Don Cumpton. Mr. Cumpton was one of the speakers at the Town Hall Meeting held at The Imagination Station on Wednesday, October 18th.

SJH Makes TBEC Honor Roll

Stratford Junior High has made the TBEC Honor Roll for 2006. Stratford is included in the select group of the 49 best middle schools and junior highs in Texas.

The TBEC Honor Roll is the most prestigious award for sustained, academic excellence in Texas. It recognizes schools that have three years of consistent, high performance in all subjects compared to other schools serving similar student populations. We raised the bar this year by emphasizing the percentage of students "passing all tests" and achieving "commended on all tests."

Congratulations to the Stratford Junior High

Assembly of God Crafts & Bake Sale October 28

Assembly of God Church will be having their Crafts and Bake Sale on Saturday, October 28th, starting at 10 a.m. They will be having a free will offering dinner and will be serving chicken soup and chili w/cobbler for dessert. Come and Enjoy the meal and shop early for Christmas.

Immunizations

High Country Community RHC, Bruce Schubert PAC/Dr. Randy Herring M.D. at 210 Texas Blvd. at Dalhart has a walk-in immunization every Tuesday from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. or by appointment. \$10 flat fee for immunizations (not per shot). Medicaid is accepted.

AG AGENT SURVEY

As most people are aware, Sherman County no longer has an Agricultural Extension Agent. Since this position is funded by taxpayer dollars, the Commissioners would like to have the public's input on filling this position. Please let us know what you think (for or against) about the necessity of having an Ag Agent in Sherman County. You are asked to contact any Commissioner or the County Judge with any opinions or comments about this position. Please respond by Thursday, November 9, 2006. Responses by mail can be sent to: P O Box 165 Stratford. The Commissioners' home phone numbers are:
Pct. 1 Commissioner Steve Pemberton 366-5684
Pct. 2 Commissioner Randy Williams 396-2050
Pct. 3 Commissioner David Hass 827-7378
Pct. 4 Commissioner Tommy Asher 396-5939
County Judge Terri Beth Carter 366-2021 (office)

Shoebboxes Needed

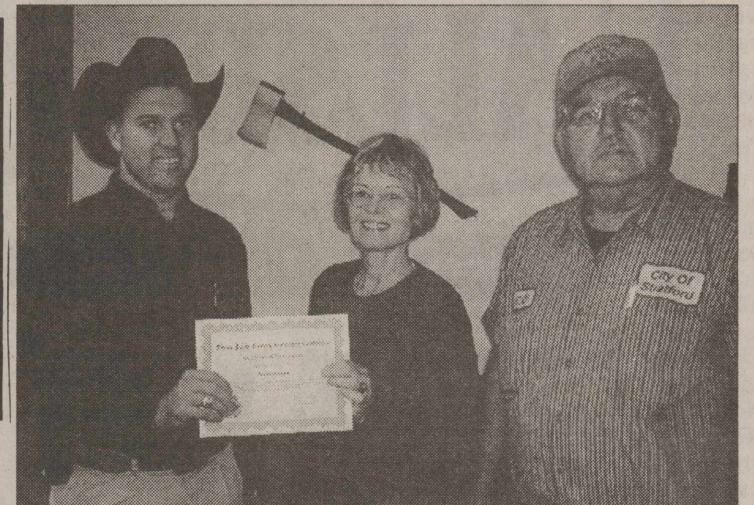
The Imagination Station is needing 12 shoebboxes with lids for their upcoming Super Science Saturday. If you have a spare shoebox please drop it off as soon as possible to 1301 Division. Just leave on the porch. Thank you for your support!!!

Daylight Savings Time This Weekend Fall Backward

2006 Popcorn Sale
Cub Scout Pack #38 Stratford
If you would like to order some Popcorn, please call Audra at 753-7155 and I will send a Scout to take your order.
Thank You

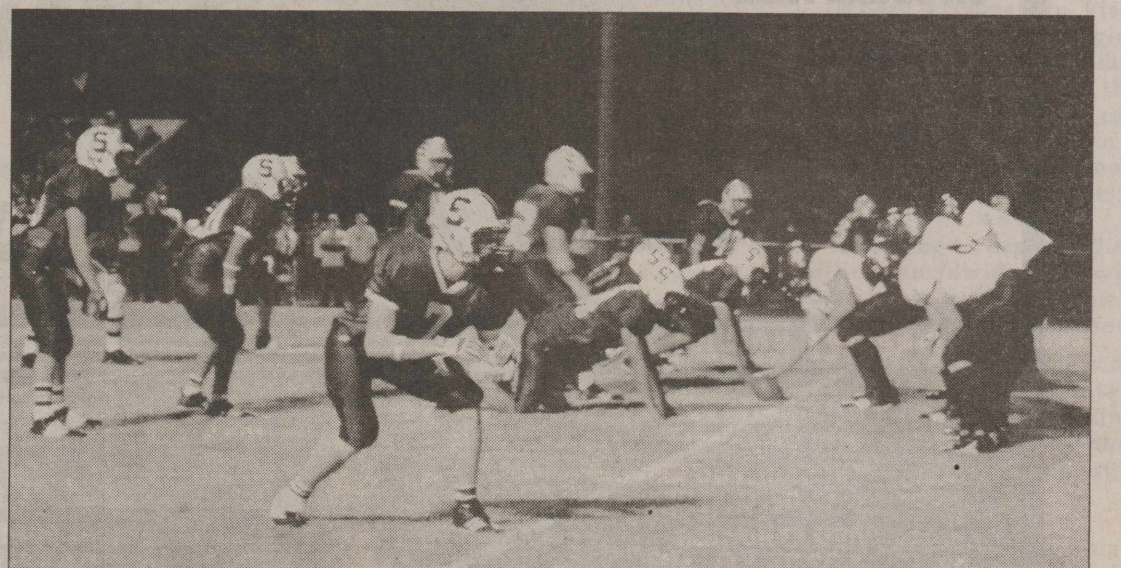
Flu Shots To Be Given at Scot Luncheon

Flu Shots will be given at Scot Luncheon on Thursday, October 26, 2006. The Clinic will set up at 11 a.m. on that day.



Farm Bureau Presents Check

Leonda Fedric representing Texas Farm Bureau is presenting a check and certificate to Fireman Dean Hauser. Dean successfully completed Fireman school in July at College Station. Also present was Fire Chief, Eddie Williams. Congratulations! Dean, upon successful completion of Fireman school.



Elks Beat Panhandle

The Elks get lined up on defense against Panhandle.

OBITS



Annie Claire Craig

Sunray-Annie Claire Craig, 97, of Sunray, died Monday, October 16, 2006 in Sunray. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 19, 2006 in Sunray Baptist Church with Rev. Philip Hilton, pastor, officiating and Rev. Allan Cartrite, retired minister assisting. Burial was in Stratford Cemetery under the direction of Morrison Funeral Directors of Stratford.

Mrs. Craig was born February 1, 1909 in Ideal, TX to Leander Owen and Eliza Annie Paris Boney. On October 21, 1925, she married James Burton Craig in Stinnett, TX. She was a Charter Member of the Sunray Baptist church since 1937 and was very active in the church. She taught Sunday school and was active in WMU, serving as a past president. She had been a Sunray resident since 1977.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Burton Craig in December of 1961; a daughter, Twila Mae Wilson on November 26, 1996; one granddaughter, Nella Beth in December of 1969 and two daughter-in-laws, Nell Craig in 1999 and Bettie June Craig in 1998.

Survivors include two sons, James and Joyce Craig and Wood Craig, both of Sunray, one sister, Cora Stinson of Denton, TX; one son-in-law, Wilbur Wilson of Skiatook, OK, fourteen grandchildren, Loyce Anne, Robyn, Jimmy, Jamye Lynne, Danny, Cindy, Frank, Tammy, Warren, Valerie, H.A., Noel and Neil;

thirty one great grandchildren and thirty-seven great-great grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Wayland Baptist University, 1900 W. 7th, Plainview, TX 79082 or a favorite charity.

STATE OF THE STRATFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT MESSAGE

The Stratford Hospital District Board of Directors lowered our tax rate to .23 car \$100 evaluation for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. Since this was below the effective tax rate, the district was not required to hold public hearings. However, the Board felt obligated to the taxpayers to do so. The meeting was advertised for two weeks prior to the September 12 date. No interested persons attended the meeting.

The Board had prepared a "State of the District" message for our community and would like to take this opportunity now to share that information with you. We feel responsible to keep you aware of our actions to the best of our ability.

In November 2004 our Hospital District was facing a financial crisis. At that time the Board of Directors embarked on a five year plan to get the district back on solid financial footing. Thanks to the taxpayers (with the increased tax rate) and budget cutting in every area we have been able to meet that goal in two years rather than five. A great deal of the credit for the turnaround belongs to our administration and our employees. Their hard work and effort has paid tremendous benefits.

At the end of our fiscal year ending August 31, 2006 our fund balance was \$173,000. Strict budget controls and accountability made this possible. All of our employees understand the problem and are working diligently performing

magnificently.

We have quarterly budget reviews for each entity (Coldwater Manor, Stratford Family Medical Clinic, Stratford Emergency Medical Services, and Stratford Hospital District). This helps us know where we stand at specific intervals in the budget year and more easily identifies problem areas. Accurate and reliable information for the Board of Directors allowed us to make many hard, but necessary decisions which were always based on the best information available to us.

Accountability has been paramount in our recovery. We appreciate and respect all of our employees who take responsibility for their work and actions and are helping us to again enjoy financial stability and community trust.

We must look forward and anticipate several areas of concern. For instance, Coldwater Manor is nearly 35 years old. We have set aside funds in the budget for capital improvements such as maintenance and replacement of heating and air-conditioning systems. Also, new life safety requirements and other state mandates must be addressed.

Wear and tear on our ambulances is tremendous. Even with aggressive maintenance, they just wear out. We anticipate ordering a new ambulance possibly as early as January 2007. Our current best estimate is that a new ambulance (not equipped) will cost \$100,000 to \$110,000. Lead time from ordering to delivery is approximately nine months. We have budgeted \$50,000 for the down payment.

The Board recognizes that we still have a long way to go. We understand that we must continue to institute strict budget controls and expect responsibility and accountability at every level. These are lofty goals and in order to attain them we must make tough decisions, including personnel issues.

All administrative positions answer directly to the Board of Directors. The Board can not respond regarding any personnel action taken by the District. Personnel issues are handled by

The hardest years in life are those between 10 and 70.
—Helen Hayes (at 73)

the Board of Directors in executive session to protect both the employee and employer. Privacy and HIPPA laws demand this.

We are currently taking steps to reconcile your accounts at the clinic in order to provide the most accurate" billing system. We are striving to correct errors and provide proper billing. This is a "time consuming process and we beg your patience. If you have concerns with your statement, please contact Sue Hudson or Carrie Muir at the clinic. If you have an issue involving the V.A. please contact Shelia Lanning. The clinic phone number is 806-396-5583. We are all committed to providing the best services possible for you.

This year, we purchased a used minivan and equipped it with a wheel chair lift. One half of the \$18,576 purchase price came from the District's share of the Texas Tobacco Settlement Fund which was then matched by a

generous grant of \$9,288 from the Stratford Area Foundation. No taxpayer funds were used for this purchase. This van is used for Coldwater Manor residents who need transport for medical appointments and care locally and out of town. The van uses approximately one-quarter as much fuel as the bus. It is more efficient and comfortable when only two or three residents need to be transported. We also share the bus with S.C.O.T. and have often had conflicts with its use. Coldwater Manor residents can not be transported by private vehicles due to liability issues. The Board considers this a "win/win" situation for the taxpayers, our patrons, and S.C.O.T.

All five members of the Hospital Board accept our responsibility to the citizens and taxpayers of this community for all of our decisions. We are committed to providing the best medical care, treatment, and nursing that is possible. That

commitment is in the minds and hearts of every Board member and every employee.

We hold Board meetings in the conference room at Coldwater Manor on the second Tuesday of each month. These meetings are

posted at least 72 hours in advance. We invite you to take the opportunity to attend a meeting. We welcome your questions, comments, and suggestions. In turn, we will respond to the best of our abilities. Thank you!

Stratford Hospital District Board of Directors
Wayne L. Smith, President
Kenton Kimball-Vice-President
Kathie Altman-Secretary
Kathy Allen-Member
LeRayne Donelson-Member

Good Luck Elks

GET'ER DONE DUNCAN CHEVROLET STUDENT OF THE WEEK SANDRO GOMEZ

Sandro is a junior at Stratford High School. He is a member of the Elk Football, basketball and track teams. He is also a member of The Big Blue Band and the student council. GET 'ER DONE

AUCTION
2nd ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR SHOW AND SALE
FRIDAY OCTOBER 27 CRUISE IN & FREE COOKOUT 6:00 PM
SATURDAY OCTOBER 28 CAR SHOW RITA BLANCA LAKE COLISEUM 10:00AM- 3:00 PM
CRUISIN THE CANYONS 3: 00 PM
BURNOUT SUNDAY OCTOBER 29 SERVICES 10:00 TROPHIES & AUCTION

LOCATION: RITA BLANCA LAKE COLISEUM
GO 1 MILE SOUTH ON HWY 87 FROM DALHART CITY LIMIT SIGN THEN WEST ON FM 281 APPROX 1.3 MILES TO THE COLISEUM
FRIDAY: CRUISE IN & COOKOUT 6:00 PAVILLION
SATURDAY: CAR SHOW STARTING FROM 10:00 AM - 3:00. THERE WILL BE A CRUISE OF THE CANYONS AT 3:00 PM. THIS EVENT IS LOCATED AT THE RITA BLANCA LAKE COLISEUM. THERE IS A \$20.00 ENTRY FEE.
SUNDAY: CHURCH SERVICES, TROPHIES AWARDED FOR CAR SHOW & AUCTION. THIS ALL BEGINS AT 10:00 AM

THIS PROMISES TO BE A FUN FILLED WEEKEND. DURING THE COOKOUT THERE WILL BE THE FUN BROTHERS BAND PLAYING ALL THE OLDIES FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT. THE CAR SHOW ON SATURDAY WILL HAVE A WIDE VARIETY OF VEHICLES IN IT. THE AUCTION ON SUNDAY WILL BE A FAST PACED DAY FULL OF DIFFERENT AND UNIQUE VEHICLES. DONT MISS THIS WEEKEND

For More Information call 806-244-6776, or Leon Laney at 806-333-2738
Leon Laney txs #16071

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COMBO NO. 2	SAUSAGE/EGG BISCUIT & 16 OZ. COFFEE	\$1.99	COMBO NO. 7	2 HOT LINKS WITH BREAD & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$2.49
COMBO NO. 3	BBQ SANDWICH & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$1.99	COMBO NO. 8	2 CORN DOGS & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$2.59
COMBO NO. 4	HOMESTYLE POPCORN CHICKEN & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$2.69	COMBO NO. 9	CHIMICHANGA & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$2.39
COMBO NO. 5	SPICY POPCORN CHICKEN & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$2.69	COMBO NO. 10	2 BEEF & BEAN BURRITOS & 32 OZ. TALLSUP	\$2.59

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Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Unless you want to drive to Dalhart to vote, early voting began Monday. Some ballots are available at the post office.

Bill & Donna Gillenwaters had all five grandchildren for a long weekend. Dasan, Jacy & Tala, are children of Duane of Moreland, OK. Kaylee and Kaiden of Amarillo are Jimmy's. Moreland school was on a fall break.

Roy & Ciccy Harris have been doing some remodeling. They have replaced the porch at the post office that had been blown away in a storm. Also repaired the roof. They have added more porch around the house.

Helping them is Ciccy's brother, Alvin Fowler, of Mineral Wells.

Mike McDaniel was in Amarillo Thursday-Monday for appointments.

Lunch & Learn

Lunch & Learn EEH Club met Oct. 19 at the Extension office. The group repeated the TEEA Creed. Susie Spurlock showed them how to make "Snugglebugs". This club meets at noon for one hour for lunch and program. New members are welcome.

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Mullins Honored

Carrie Mullins, Bride-to-be of Jason Pool, was honored with a Bridal Shower on Sunday, October 22, 2006 in the home of Holly Davis at 6915 Silverbell Lane, The Woodlands, in Amarillo, Texas. Carrie is the daughter of former Stratfordites, Al and Donna Mullins of Canyon She is the niece of Janice Spurlock and Joyce Mutschler of Sunray and is the great-niece of Bobbie Wilson and Ann Johnson of Stratford, and Rex Burgess of Spearman. Jason is the son of Patrice Pool McLain of Amarillo and Gary Pool of Amarillo. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Don McLain of Spearman. The couple plan to be married November 18th at the Treasure Island Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada.

8th Annual Senior Fall Festival

The Senior Ambassadors Coalition is sponsoring the 8th Annual Senior Fall Festival, as a major community effort to senior adults and their caregivers. Thursday, October 26, 2006, in the North Exhibit Hall at the Amarillo Civic Center, medical experts will offer health care services which will include screenings for cholesterol, glucose, balance, memory, blood pressure, nutrition, spine, pulse postural assessment, depression, and other services. Information will also be available on Alzheimer's, healthy eating and fitness, crisis intervention, depression, diabetes education, stroke awareness, personal and home safety, estate planning, and volunteer opportunities and many more. Booths will be open from 9 am until 2 pm. All screening and admission will be free to the public.

Other sponsors for the event include Northwest Texas Healthcare System, Craig Methodist Retirement Community, Texas Tech Amarillo Alzheimer's Academy, Hospice Care Of the Southwest/ComPassion Home Care, Nurses by Prescription, VitAlert/Lifeline, Humana MarketPoint, Area Agency on Aging, Odyssey Healthcare, and United Supermarkets.

The Senior Ambassadors Coalition is an advocacy group of about 80 individuals representing a wide range of businesses specializing in the senior population. We promote education and awareness

regarding senior and caregiver services and issues. We work to increase access to services and to improve the quality of life for seniors in the community. For more information, contact Senior Ambassadors Coalition at 372-3381.



Adams Honored

Jeanna Adams, bride elect of Zack Reed was honored with a Bridal shower Saturday, October 21 in the home of Nina Lavake. Shown above with Jeanna (center) is Cindia Adams of Burnett, TX and Harriett Reed of Stratford.

Births

Chad and Ashley Hodo would like to announce the birth of their son, Ethan Thomas Hodo. Born October 6, 2006, in Fort Worth, Texas, at Harris Southwest Hospital. Ethan weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and was 20.5 inches long. He is welcomed with love by maternal grandparents Thomas and Judy Stoy of Stratford and Charlie and Dianne Hodo of Dalhart. Great-grandparents are Sam and Billie Brian of San Antonio, Mary Stoy and late Bob Jarrell of Perryton, and the late Junior and Betty Hodo of Allen, Oklahoma.

Advanced Hearing Technologies
806-355-9957
Will be at
First State Bank
Thursday, October 26, 2006
10:00-12 noon
Free Hearing Evaluations
Free Cleaning of Hearing Aids
Adjustments of Hearing Aids

Sign up for a
FREE Amplified Phone
Provided by the State of Texas
Free Medicaid MQMB Hearing Aids

Online Bill Pay

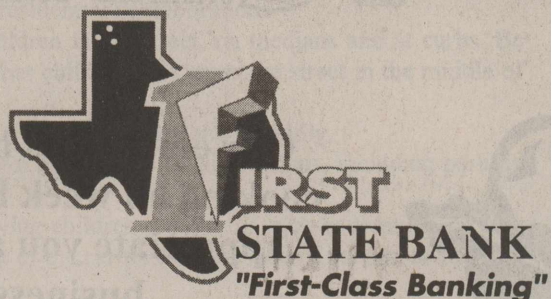
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First Assembly of God

Kevin Anderson, Pastor

921 Fulton
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

First Christian

Rev. Walter Reed
5th & Main

Sunday School 9:45 am (nursery)
Morning Worship 10:45 am (nursery)
No Sunday Evening Worship Service
Wed. : Youth Choir 3:45 pm, Chi Rho 5 p.m., CYF 6 p.m., Bell Choir 6:50 p.m., Adult Choir 8 p.m.

First United Methodist

Rev. Gene Weinette

520 N. Main
Sunday School 9:20 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Junior High UMY 5:00 pm
Senior High UMY 6:00 pm

St. Joseph Catholic

Father Aleksy Kowalski

6th & Pearl
Rectory - 366 - 5687
Sunday morning: 9:00a.m. (English), 12 noon. (Spanish)
Service. Wed. Thurs. Fri.—6 p.m. Sat. 5 p.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass. or by appt.
Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Wed. afternoon
Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

Ernie Maiwald

N. 3rd & Chestnut
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

Heritage Bible Baptist

Pastor Rick Carter

302 S. Main - For More Info—call 396-2212
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Service - 7:30 p.m.

First Baptist

Pastor Billy Chambers

702 N. 3rd
Sun.—Coffee - 8:30 Sunday School - 9:30
Worship Service - 10:30
Wed. -Children—6:00, youth—7:00

La Mision Bautista

Mision Bautista

401 S. Wall 396-5376
Domingo-(Sunday)
Estuela Dominical 9:45 am

Miercoles (Wednesday)
Servicio De Adoracion 11:00 am
& Servicio De Oracion 6:00 pm
Servicio De Adoracion 6:00 pm
Susninos Durante El Servicio.

Estudio Biblico

Se Cuidamos

The Churches of Stratford Welcome You

JESUS IS KNOCKING

Jesus Christ empowers His body, the church, to follow the dictates of His heart. For this reason, churches must not be lukewarm in their dedication to Christ (Revelation 3:15-16). Christ s must therefore dwell in the midst of His people by the power of His Holy Spirit.

The promises in this regard are very great and often repeated. "I will also walk among you and be your God, and you shall be My people" (Leviticus 26:12, 2 Corinthians 6:16). "And lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20).

Imagine Christ standing outside a church knocking to gain entrance. Would this be an oxymoron? Was this the picture given in Revelation 3:20? It is a statement to a church. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me."

Christ may be at the door of the church for blessing or judgment. The apostle James gives us the latter picture. "Do not complain, brethren, against one another, so that you yourselves may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing right at the door" (James 5:9).

.God grant us churches with doors open to Christ, indwelt by Christ, rich in His blessing and full of His power.

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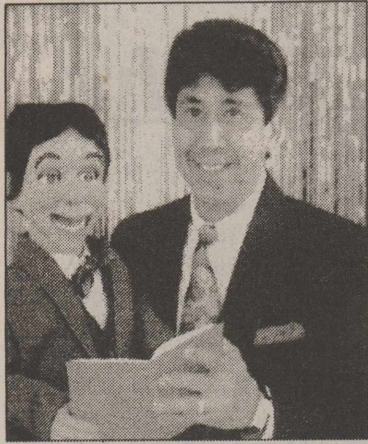
Templo Hispano Eben-Ezer

Pastor Roberto Frescas
205 N. Poplar - Hwy 287
Escuela Dominical 10 a.m.
Servicio De Adoracion 5 p.m.
Meir Co Les Serv De Ador 5 p.m.

Kerrick Community Church

Pastor Roy Harris
Community Building
Sunday Morning - 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening-6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday





Nacho Estrada

Ventriloquist to Perform In Stratford

Nacho Estrada is coming to Stratford ISD. He will have a special performance for parents at 5:30 on November 8, 2006 at Mary Allen Elementary cafeteria. A noted ventriloquist and educational consultant, Mr. Estrada has performed for over 1 million students and parents since 1980. Mr. Estrada has received numerous awards for his work including the Texas State Teachers Association Human and Civil Rights Award, the *Smithsonian Magazine* Award for Best Ventriloquist in the category of Distant Voice, and the F.B.I. Director's Community Leadership Award.

Using humor, his programs endeavor to instill in students the importance of good citizenship, the value of courtesy, good manners, respect, along with the development of self-respect, self-esteem and pride. The theme for the parents' program is *Parents, the Most Important Teachers*. All parents are cordially invited to attend this very special program meant to stress the importance of the parent in the lifetime role as teacher.

This program is made possible by a grant from the Stratford Education Foundation. Door prizes for the program are provided by community merchants.

Two additional performances for Stratford ISD students will be scheduled for earlier in the day. The theme for the students' programs is *No Child Left Behind*.

Nacho Estrada, ventrílocuo y consultor de educación, presentará un programa especial para padres de estudiantes el día 8 de noviembre 2006 a las 5:30 en la cafetería de la escuela primaria Mary Allen. Un ventrílocuo notado por su talento especial, el señor Estrada ha presentado su programa a más de un millón de niños y adultos desde que inició su carrera en 1980.

El señor Estrada ha recibido numerosos premios para su trabajo incluyendo el Premio para los Derechos Humanos y Civiles del Texas State Teachers Association, el Premio para el Mejor Ventriloquo del *Smithsonian Magazine*, y el Premio de Liderazgo de Comunidad del Director del FBI.

Utilizando el humor, sus programas intentan en inculcar en estudiantes la importancia de la ciudadanía buena, el valor de la cortesía, las maneras buenas, el respeto, junto con el desarrollo de dignidad, amor propio y orgullo. El tema del programa es <<Padres, los Maestros más Importantes>>. Todos padres de estudiantes son invitados cordialmente asistir este programa muy especial que enfatiza la importancia de los padres en el papel de maestros de sus niños.

Este programa es hecho posible por una beca de la Base de la Educación de Stratford. Los premios de la puerta para el programa son proporcionados por mercaderes de la comunidad de Stratford.

Dos desempeños adicionales para estudiantes de Stratford ISD serán planificados para más temprano en el día. El tema para los programas estudiantiles es <<Ningún Niño Se Queda Atrás>>.

4-H FOOD SHOW NOVEMBER 6

By Susie Spurlock

Members of Sherman County 4-H are preparing for the County 4-H Food Show to be held November 6, 2006. These members are meeting in project groups under the leadership of volunteers dedicated to assisting youth in learning life skills.

Youth are learning nutrition knowledge, food preparation and safety skills, social role of foods, and food buying skills. Participants of the County Food Show will be showcasing knowledge and skills learned by exhibiting a food dish of their choice. **Members are reminded that Entry Forms and recipes are due by 5:00 p.m., Friday, October 27, 2006.** Entries should be returned to the County Extension Office located at the Courthouse in Stratford.

Volunteer project leaders are Connie Burton, Cindy Russell, Laurie Spurlock, Jill Killian, Lorie Vincent, and Jennie Spurlock.

Sponsors of the Food Show are Stratford Grain Company, Walter Lasley and Sons Feedyard, West Texas Gas Company, Sherman County Parent/Leaders Association and the Texas Cooperative Extension.

Educational programs conducted by Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

PHEASANT HUNT

The Stratford Chamber of Commerce is currently planning for the 2006 Pheasant Hunting Season. The Chamber will lease land for the first week plus one weekend of Hunting Season, December 2 through December 10, 2006. The Chamber would like to extend this opportunity to landowners and operators to lease land for the 2006 season. The Chamber has set the price for land as follows:

CRP grass	.25/acre
Corn stubble	.25/acre
Milo stubble	.50/acre

The hunters must sign a waiver of liability before permits are issued. The waiver should eliminate anxiety of landowners allowing people on their land. ATV's and other vehicles are not allowed in the fields. Only Chamber hunters are allowed on the contracted land.

We have a Landowners Agreement for the lessee to sign and your checks will be processed after the first of the year. We appreciate your allowing the Chamber the use of your land to promote tourism in our area and increase our County's economy.

If you would like to participate, please contact the Chamber Office 305 N. Main 806-366-2260 or stratford@xit.net



ELK TALES

By Lynda Hauser

The high school ESL classes have published their first edition of the Elk Express school newspaper of the year. The edition features the six sets of twins at Stratford Junior High and High School as well as articles on the four teachers new to the two schools this year. There are also interviews of one member of each of the high school classes, and an article on the new school yearbook "This Is It!" Class officers, class enrollment figures, and the new yearbook staff are listed in the paper.

5th and 6th grade math classes both took a PAS test this past week. These are tests on the computer that are similar to the TAKS test that we will take in the spring. We will take a series of six of these throughout the year. Hopefully these will be good practice for us! The 5th and 6th grades traveled to the Wreck Farm Maze and Pumpkin Patch on Wednesday. The Jr. High pep rally will be at 1:50 on Thursday. The 7th, 8th, and JV football teams will play Canadian here starting at 5:00 p.m.

The Lady Elks Blue and White scrimmage will be Thursday at 3:45. Friday's pep rally will begin at 3:00 p.m. The varsity football team will play in Canadian on Friday starting at 7:30 p.m. Be sure to listen on XITV channel 80 on the TV or KXIT am 1240 radio. Two events will be held on Saturday: the Caprock Speech Tournament and the Lady Elk scrimmage at Gruver at 9:30 a.m.

Thanks to the First State Bank for the great tailgate party on Friday, Oct. 13. The food and fellowship were great and we appreciate all their hard work in sponsoring this for the community.

This is the second busiest time of a senior's last year in high school behind graduation. We are gearing up for Fall Festival and WOW! is it going to be great this year! Fall Festival is November 4th. There will be a Mexican Pile-On from 5:30 to 7:30, entertainment starting at 7:30 and

the carnival starting around 8:15. Please come out have a night of great fun with our senior class! Seniors will begin selling Mexican Pile-On tickets October 25th. They are \$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children in elementary and children under 5 eat free. Find one of the many seniors to purchase them ahead of time.

Environmental Systems will be finishing cells. We will have a test Thursday.

Biology is studying bacteria and viruses. Ask students what part of the school contains the most bacteria from growing cultures from swabs samples collected around campus. They did have a biology test TUESDAY!

Physics class is working on Newton's 3rd law of motion.

The speech communication class will be having mock job interviews. Several students will be helping with the "Spooky Space" on Thursday night at the Imagination Station. This will be considered a service project for the students.

The speech team is practicing for the Caprock Speech tournament on Saturday. There are 9 students going.

High school classes have elected their representatives for the Fall Festival. The senior king and queen are Rhia Everett and Cody Harbour; juniors are Trena Maiwald and Alex Lopez; sophomores are Deborah Molina and Kaleb Horsford; and freshmen are Cody Carter and Katie Killian. The Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, Nov. 4.

The Teacher Appreciation Banquet was held on Tuesday evening in the high school cafeteria. A delicious meal of brisket, ribs, sausage, and all the trimmings was prepared and served by Lem, Cindy, Rustin, and Sunny Russell.

Quote of the Week: "The man who removes a mountain begins by carrying away small stones." - William Faulkner

A man's mind, stretched by a new idea, can never go back to its original dimension.

—Oliver Wendell Holmes

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Tim Weldon from First State Bank of Stratford presenting a first place ribbon to Cece Green-Yelek of Greentree Ranch Morgans.

Halloween Can Combine Treats with Safety

Halloween from the child's eye view: treats.
Halloween from the adult viewpoint: safety.

Both desires are, possibly, say safety experts with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). But it takes talking and planning before the evening of Oct. 31 rolls around.

"Families need to talk about safety issues early," said April Harris of the DSHS Safe Riders Program. "A good time to discuss safety precautions is when children choose costumes or receive party invitations. Then remind them again before they go out to trick-or-treat."

DSHS offers these safety tips for children:

- Look left, right and left again for cars and trucks before crossing the street. Keep looking both ways as you cross the street.
- Walk on sidewalks. If there is no sidewalk, walk on the far left side of the road facing traffic.
- Walk, don't run.
- Don't cut across lawns or go through backyards, parks and alleys.
- Don't hide behind cars or cross the street from between parked cars; go to a corner
- Never accept rides from strangers or take treats from someone who's in a car or truck.
- Use a flashlight with fresh batteries or carry a glow stick.
- Wear light-colored costumes and put reflective strips on them. Be sure costumes are short enough so you will not trip.
- Use face paint rather than a mask or hood that covers your eyes.
- Wear comfortable shoes that fit. High heels or big floppy shoes are not safe for walking.
- Stay away from lighted candles, matches and open fires,
- Be careful around animals. Even pets you know may be scared by costumes and loud or strange noises.
- Trick-or-treat only at houses where you know the people and then only if the porch light is on.
- Don't eat any treats until they are checked by an adult.

DSHS offers these safety suggestions for adults:

- Accompany trick-or-treaters 12 and under.
- Look for a "flame resistant" label on costumes, masks, beards and wigs. Use flame-resistant materials when making costumes. Bags and costumes should be decorated with reflective tape and stickers. Chose a light color costume if possible.
- Be sure children carry only soft, flexible knives, swords or other props.
- Set a time for older children to be home. Know the route they will take.
- Never let a child go trick-or-treating alone. Be sure at least two buddies go together.
- Never let children ride in the bed of a truck. It is illegal in Texas for children under 18 to ride in the open bed of a truck.
- Remove obstacles such as ladders, tools and toys from your yard.
- Keep jack-o'-lanterns and lighted candles away from areas where costumes or paper decorations might touch the flame. Consider using glow sticks instead of candles.

DSHS offers this safety information for motorists:

- Slow down in residential neighborhoods.
- Watch for children in the street, on medians and at curbs. Be especially aware that children may cross the street in the middle of the block.
- Enter and exit driveways slowly and carefully.
- Be extra careful backing up in all locations, including parking lots.
- If you are driving children around for trick-or-treating, be sure they get in and out of the car on the curb side of the car, away from traffic.
- Do not wear a Halloween mask while driving.

"Children may not remember from year to year what safety precautions to take," Harris said. "They may not be used to walking at night, even in familiar neighborhoods. It's up to adults to help children enjoy Halloween safely."

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—John Muir

Cards of Thanks

Thank you. THANK YOU. THANK YOU!!! The family of Lexie Cisneros wishes to tell each and every one of you that came by the Elk Junction on Sunday, October 15th, and so generously supported the International Rett Syndrome Association in honor of little Miss Lexie, just how much we appreciate your support of a little girl with special needs. And especially "thank you" for not tipping based on actual waiter/waitress service (at least speaking for myself). I know now why waitresses are not fat, as I found out that us 2XL guys can't get through the tight spaces very well. Thanks, too, for those of you who stopped us at work, at church, or other places and simply gave \$\$\$ for Lexie's cause and didn't even get the benefit of being served your meal with a smile. Thanks to your unbelievable outpouring of support, Lexie was able to send \$1135 (that's right - one thousand one hundred thirty five dollars!!!) to the International Rett Syndrome Association. That money - your donations - will be used to help make better lives for the little girls like Lexie affected with Retts. Again, thanks one and all. We appreciate your love and support (and your money was nice, too).

I would like to thank everyone who came to our annual Chili & Stew Dinner and Bake Sale at the First Christian Church. It was a huge success because of you. Thanks again for joining us for great food, fun and fellowship.

Valerie McAlister
Chairwoman

Human society is a network of relations—spiritual, animate, physical—between human beings, alive, dead and still unborn.

—Arnold J. Toynbee

Dear Friends,
We are truly overwhelmed by the acts of kindness that have been shown towards our family while dad was ill and after he passed. Thank you for the flowers, cards, food, calls, visits, and prayers. A special thank you to the Griggs Community for the meal following Dads service. It was not traditional but it was something that Dad would have enjoyed. When we pulled up to the service and looked out the window into the rain our breath was taken by the 200 plus people who stood before us. We know that dad would have been truly honored and for that we thank each of you. To everyone who helped in the field with harvest, we will forever be grateful. No where else in the world will you find people who will put their own lives and business on hold to help their neighbor. When it comes to nice people Mark and Cindy Axtell's family is at the top of the list. They will never know how much they helped us through this hard time. Dr. Wheeler you are amazing. The great care you and the hospital staff gave Dad before we were able to bring him home was wonderful. Our family is grateful to the Happy State Bank for their kindness and understanding while Dad was ill. We appreciate the lime off you gave Misty during this very difficult time. We are truly blessed to live in a place where people hearts are bigger than a country mile. Dad always told us, "Know in' your hearts when they throw the dirt on me—I was not cheated." He lived a very full and eventful life full of good times and we thank so many of you for being a part of our memories. Thanks again for everyone's kindness and support after our cowboy rode away. Sincerely,
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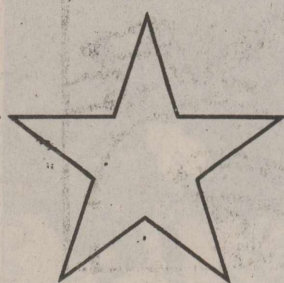
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9-14-tfn

TRANSPORTATION MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN III
JOB REQUISITION NUMBER: 010666

The Texas Department of Transportation will be accepting applications for one full-time position at the Sherman County Maintenance Office located at 1202 E. Texas Ave., Stratford, Texas. The applicant must have two (2) years experience in maintenance, construction and/or an equipment operation-related field. (Experience requirements may be satisfied by full-time experience or the prorated part-time equivalent.)

The starting salary will be \$11.36-\$15.67 per hour. A completed application is required and applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 31, 2006. For further application information, including a complete job vacancy notice, contact the nearest Texas Department of transportation. Information may also be accessed via the Internet at www.dot.state.tx.us Mailed applications should be postmarked the day the job vacancy closes and sent to: 5715 Canyon Drive: Amarillo, TX 79110; Att: Human Resources. If more information is needed or if an applicant needs an accommodation in order to apply for this job, contact Linda Tucker at (806) 356-3231. TXDOT IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER
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Legal Notices

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SHERMAN

By virtue of Orders of Sale issued out of the Judicial District Court of SHERMAN County in the following cases on the 30th day of August, 2006, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at 10:00 a.m. on the 7th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2006, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the official door of the Courthouse of said SHERMAN County, in the City of STRATFORD, Texas, the following described property located in SHERMAN County, to-wit:

Cause No. 4566 STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VS BAEZA OSCAR

All of Lots Seventeen (17), Eighteen (18), Nineteen (19) and Twenty (20), in Block Forty-two (42) of the Original Town of Stratford, Sherman County, Texas

Cause No. 4709 SHERMAN COUNTY VS BROWN PEGGY ROBERTSON

All of Lots Numbers Seventeen (19), Eighteen (18), Nineteen (19) and Twenty (20), in Block Number One

Garage Sales

Garage Sale: Lots of sweaters, coats, Halloween & Christmas decorations 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, October 28th, 801 N. Maple.
10-26-c

Garage/Moving Sale: Sat. Oct. 28th, starts at 9:00 a.m. 206 N. 3rd. Household items and more.
10-26-c

To Give Away

To Give Away to a good home, 6-month old Blonde Male Lab. Call 366-3102 or come by 1215 N. Division.
10-26-c

Want to Buy

Assembly of God Church is looking for a Building that somebody could donate to us so we can open a Thrift Shop in Town. Please call 396-2340.
10-26-c 3 x's

Deep-Fried Turkey

1 thawed turkey, up to 14 pounds
Cajun marinade

Be sure the turkey is completely thawed and free of excess water. Inject it with marinade. Cover the outside of the turkey with your favorite dry rub.
Fill pot with oil to fill line. Bring oil to 400°F. Place turkey horizontally, breast up, in bailing basket. Wearing a long barbecue mitt, slowly lower the basket with the turkey into the oil. Cook for 3 minutes per pound, and then add 5 minutes to total cooking time. Turkey may float before cooking time is complete. Continue cooking for total amount of time calculated.
Example: cooking a 14-lb. turkey
3 minutes x 14 = 42
42 minutes + 5 = 47 minutes

When the turkey is done, turn the appliance OFF and slowly remove the basket. Use drain hook on basket to attach basket to appliance body. Allow the turkey to drain and cool. Do not move fryer until oil has cooled.
Recipe courtesy of Bruce Foods.

Hundred Six (106), Original Town site, City of Stratford, Sherman County, Texas

Cause No. 4569 CITY OF STRATFORD VS LUCAS TONJUA AS ADMIN OF THE MARY LEA LUCAS ESTATE

All of Lots Number One through Five (1-5) inclusive, in Block Number Ninety-three (93) of the Town of Stratford, in Sherman County, Texas

ALL BIDDERS MUST REGISTER WITH THE TAX OFFICE PRIOR TO SHERIFF'S SALE.

Levied on the 10th day of October, 2006 as the property of said Defendants to satisfy the judgments rendered in the above styled and numbered causes, plus all taxes, penalties, interest, and attorney fees accrued to the date of sale and all costs recoverable by law in favor of CITY OF STRATFORD, STRATFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT, SHERMAN COUNTY, STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND NORTH PLAINS WATER DISTRICT.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 10TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2006

JACK HAILE
Sheriff, SHERMAN County, TX.
Published in The Stratford Star, Thursday, October 18, 2006, Thursday, October 26, 2006 and Thursday, November 2, 2006.

Bradley Hunter Welch To Perform In Concert In Amarillo

FRIENDS OF AEOLIAN-SKINNER OPUS 1024 will present Bradley Hunter Welch in concert on the Aeolian-Skinner Opus 1024 organ on Sunday, November 5 at 7 p.m. The concert will be held in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Amarillo, Texas. Tickets are available for \$10 per person by calling 806-376-6316.

A native of Knoxville, TN, Welch attended Baylor University in Waco, TX where his teacher was Joyce Jones. He received the Bachelor of Music degree in Organ Performance magna cum laude in May 1997 in addition to winning the Deans Award for Outstanding Performance. In May 1999, he completed his Master of Music degree in Organ Performance at the Yale University School of Music/Institute of Sacred Music.

Upon completion of the Artist Diploma at Yale in 2960, he was awarded the Horatio Parker Memorial Prize, the most prestigious prize awarded by the Yale faculty. During his time at Yale, he also was awarded the Robert Baker Prize (given to an incoming organ student at Yale who is deemed to be in the top 1-2% of the nation's young organists), the Charles Ives Prize, and the Yale School of Music Alumni Association.

He is the 2003 First Place winner of the Dallas International Organ Competition, and was also awarded the Audience Prize for the second time having previously won it in 2000. In May 2001, he received the Master of Musical Arts degree to signify that he has completed all the class work for the doctorate in performance at Yale. His teachers at Yale were Thomas Murray and Martin Jean. He currently serves as the Organist at Highland Park Presbyterian Church in Dallas, TX.

Pet of the Week



The Dalhart Animal Rescue Shelter needs your old blankets, towels, & rugs for the dogs and puppies. If you have any that you would like to provide them, please contact Linda Reimer at 244-6326 (leave message) or 249-5333. You can also drop them off at the shelter.

The Dalhart Animal Rescue Shelter ("no "kill" facility) currently has over 100 dogs and puppies available for adoption. These dogs are all sizes & range in age from 4 weeks on up. The older dogs have been spayed and/or neutered & have their shots. These dogs need a good home.

We are also seeking responsible individuals to provide foster care for the dogs. If you feel you would like to take one or two and care for them for a couple of months, we will provide free food, AH of these dogs have had their shots and are looking for lots of love. Please contact Diane Trull at 244-3216 for additional information.

Did You Know?

(NAPS)—A leader in thermal food and beverage containers, Stanley, has the supplies you need to keep your tailgating party the hottest in the lot. For tailgating tips, visit www.stanleytailgating.com or Joe Cahn's site www.tailgating.com.

Seasonal car-care planning and preventative maintenance can save you money and time as the weather starts to change. Replacing your current oil with a synthetic product that is specifically designed for longer oil-change intervals, such as Mobil 1 Extended Performance, will add life to your car by guaranteeing protection of critical engine parts for up to 15,000 miles. For more information on vehicle maintenance, visit www.mobiloil.com.

This holiday season, stuff a stocking with gifts both practical and charming such as a snowman- or nutcracker-shaped Crest SpinBrush electric toothbrush, crazy Christmas socks or peppermint-flavored lip balm.

When it comes to kitchen appliances, the new Frigidaire Elements line offers an industry-first metallic nickel finish that is fingerprint resistant and coordinates well with any kitchen color scheme. For more information, visit www.frigidairelements.com.

According to experts, the \$55 billion worldwide audiovisual industry is poised to grow dramatically over the next several years. More information is available from InfoComm International, the trade association representing the audiovisual industry, at www.avweek.org and www.infocomm.org.

A GPS location-tracking cell phone developed by Whereify Wireless, the Whereify lets caregivers monitor older relatives' location at any time through GPS technology. Log on to www.whereify.com to learn more.

Elks 2-0 In District Play

The Stratford Elks beat Panhandle 21-14 on Friday, October 20 and are now 2-0 in District play.

Hunter Buckles completed 3 of 7 passes for 60 yards and carried the ball for 30 yards on 10 carries and scored one touchdown. Jonathan Licon carried the ball 16 times for 86 yards and two touchdowns followed by Craig Kautz with 47 yards on 15 carries.

Brant Cummings caught the ball for 50 yards on 2 catches followed by Scott Hudson with 10 yards on 1 catch. Martin Beltran kicked 3 PAT's for the Elks.

Licon also led the Elks on defense with 13 tackles followed by Jeffrey Frizzell with 12 tackles. Adding 9 tackles each were Julio Ramirez, Pablo Ibarra and Steven Rueda. Others contributing to the Elks defense were Tony Vargas, Craig Kautz, James Smith, Joey Reta, Sandro Gomez, Brent Reed, Scott Hudson, Brant Cummings, Chad Smith, Gilbert Reta, Martin

AC Lamplight to host night of improvisational hilarity.

The public will have a chance to see children of the Lamplight Youth Theatre Company thinking on their feet as they make up comedic skits on the spur of the moment at Improv Night at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27.

About 30 young people from ages 8 to 18 will be put to the test in Amarillo College's Ordway Hall at 22 Avenue and Washington Street.

"This is a chance for Amarillo to see just how talented these kids are," said Cynthia Koetting, Lamplight director. "These young people work hard to hone their craft, and this evening will showcase their hard work and dedication."

The family-friendly event will consist of 15 to 20 "on the spot" skits. "The characterizations and scenarios are given to the actors on stage, and they have 15 to 30 seconds to create an entertaining scene," Koetting said.

"This is a night about relaxing, laughing and having a great time."

Some of those attending may even have a moment in the spotlight. "Do not be surprised if I call audience members onstage during a skit or two," Koetting said.

Improv Night tickets cost \$5, and the proceeds go to maintaining AC Lamplight, which is a self-sustaining, non-profit children's theatre. Expenditures are covered by tuition, ticket sales, donations, sponsorships, grants and fund-raisers. "We are a partner with AC, but we pay our own salaries and bills," Koetting said.

Tickets can be purchased by calling 371-5353.

Savory Pear Pizza

- 1 prepared pizza dough crust (such as Boboli)
- 3 T. extra virgin olive oil
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 oz. grated, fresh Parmesan cheese
- 3 oz. chopped prosciutto or thinly sliced cured ham
- 1 red Anjou pear, cored and sliced very thinly

1. Preheat oven to 450°F.
2. Place pizza crust on baking sheet.
3. Spread olive oil and garlic over the pizza crust.
4. Top with cheese, prosciutto and pear slices.
5. Bake for 12-15 minutes or until cheese is melted and bubbly.
6. Slice and serve. Serves 6.

For more delicious pear recipes, visit www.usapears.org.

Those who love deeply never grow old; they may die of old age, but they die young.

—Sir Arthur Wing Pinero

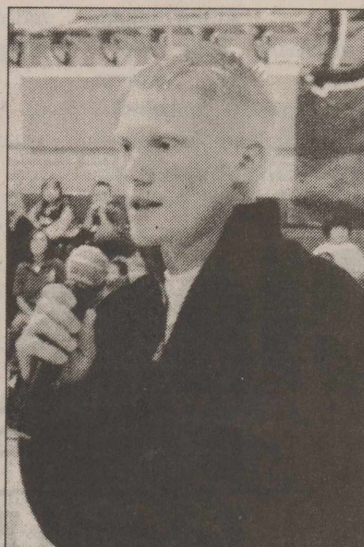
We must always have old memories and young hopes.

—Arsene Houssaye

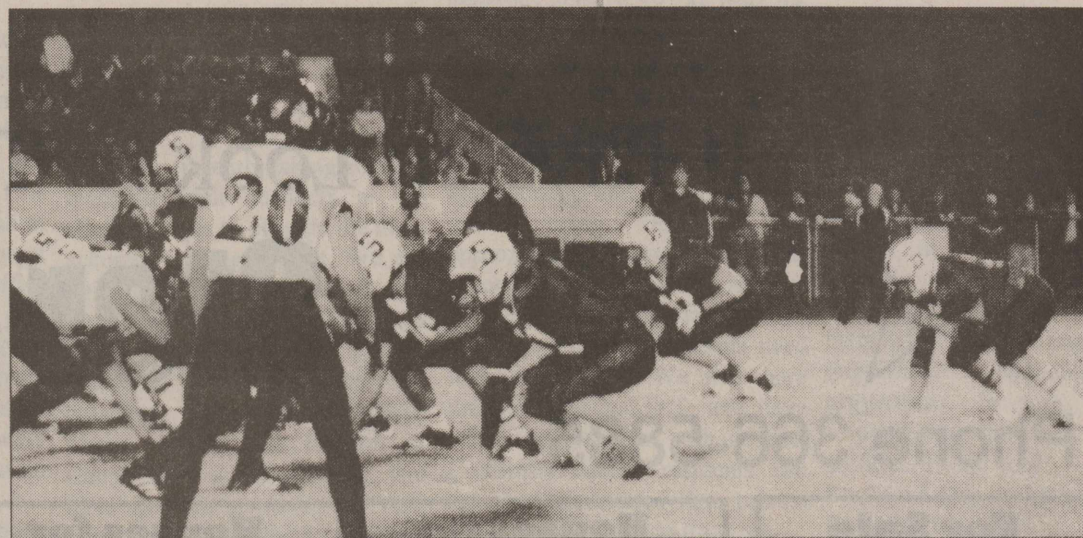
Beltran and Michael Frizzell. Jeffrey Frizzell, Tony Vargas and Gilbert Reta each had a quarterback sack for the night.

Players of the Week: Offensive Back — Jonathan Licon; Offensive Line — Sandro Gomez; Defensive Back — Jeffrey Frizzell; Defensive Line — Martin Beltran; Special Team — Scott Hudson.

The Elks will travel to Canadian on Friday, October 27th with kick-off time at 7:30 p.m. Let's go and support our Elks!!!



Scott Hudson gave the pep talk at last week's Pep rally before the Stratford-Panhandle game.



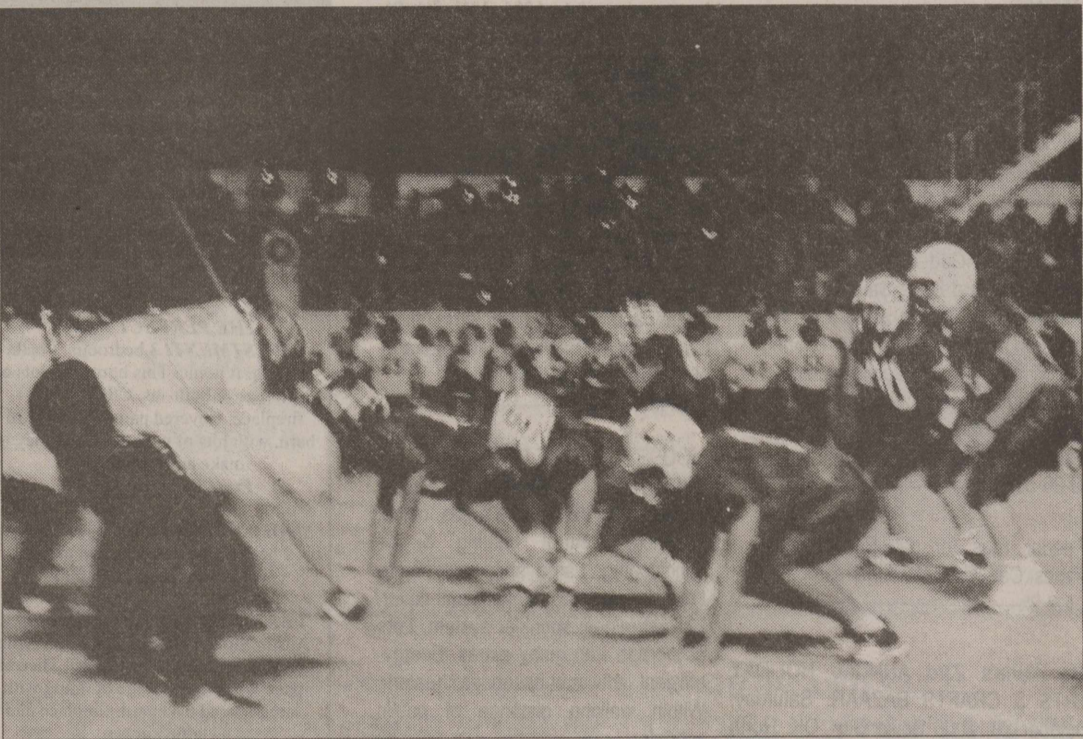
The Elks on offense against Panhandle.

Go Elks

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The Stratford Elks on defense Friday, October 20th in their 21-14 win over Panhandle.

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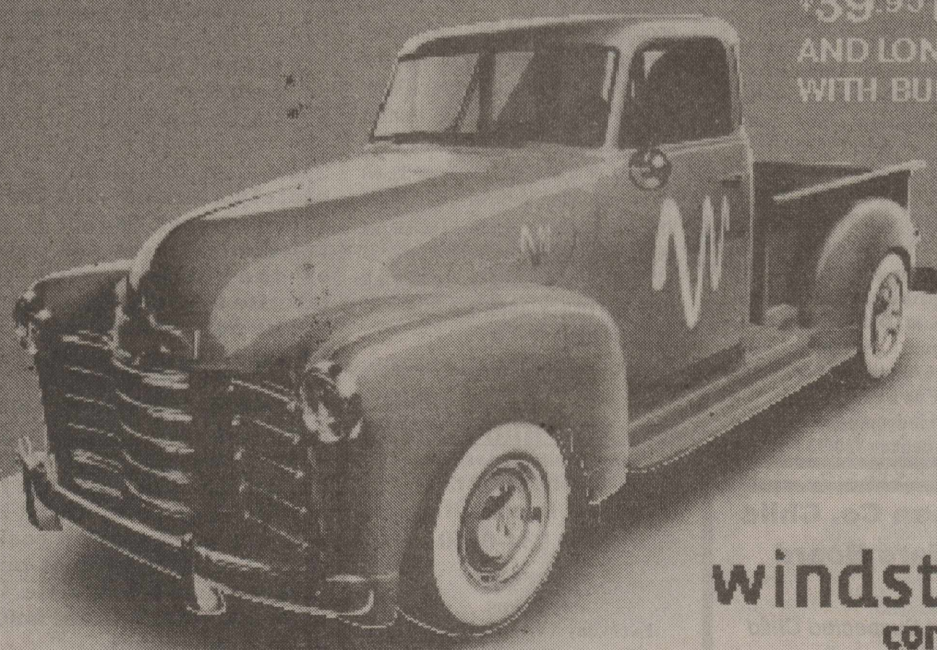
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